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Red Defections Termed More Vital Than West's

Former CIA Chief Dulles Says Important
Figures Have Fled From Communist Area

NEW YORK (AP)—Allen W. Dulles, former head of the Central Intelligence Agency, said Sunday night there have been more important defections from the Communist world than from the West.

Dulles reminisced during a taped telecast for New York stations.

"I would say that today and for the last—about 10 years, there have been more important defections, volunteers, from the Soviet Union and the Communist world to the West than from the West to the East," Dulles said.

Discussing the defection to Russia of British diplomat Guy Burgess, Dulles said:

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He complimented the British for vigorously pursuing spies when clues are uncovered, but the former CIA chief added:

"I regret to say that the same is not the case, say, with regard to all the continental European countries. They say, 'Well, what can we do?'... That doesn't apply to all European countries, but there are one or two, and I won't want to mention them..."

Intelligence Bonanza

Dulles said a bonanza of intelligence information reached the West as a result of the execution of Lavrenty Beria, head of the Soviet secret police under Stalin.

Said Dulles:

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The greatest intelligence damage inflicted on the West, Dulles said, grew out of the defection of British atomic scientist Klaus Fuchs.

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